Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

NW Area Socially Disadvantaged

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: NW Area Socially Disadvantaged		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Quality - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
 a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to animal feeding operations, or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures? 	Yes O or No O
1. b. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a designated impaired water body?	Yes O or No O
1. c. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a water body?	Yes O or No O
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
2. a. Increase groundwater recharge in identified groundwater depletion areas (http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/rasa/html/TOC.html)?	Yes O or No O
2. b. Conserve water from irrigation system improvements and result in estimated water savings of at least 5% and saved water will be available for other beneficial uses?	Yes O or No O
2. c. Conserve water in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	Yes O or No O
Clean Air: Treatment of Air Quality from Agricultural Sources - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
3. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes O or No O
3. b. Reduce green house gases such as methane, nitrous oxide, and volatile organic compounds (VOC)?	Yes O or No O
3. c. Increase carbon sequestration?	Yes O or No O
High Quality, Productive Soils Erosion Reduction - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
4. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	Yes O or No O
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities Wildlife Habitat Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
5. a. Benefit threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern as identified in a State wildlife plan?	Yes O or No O
5. b. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	Yes O or No O
High Quality, Productive Soils, Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Special Environmental Efforts/Initiatives - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
6. a. Eradicate or control noxious or invasive species?	Yes O or No O
6. b. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	Yes O or No O
6. c. Implement precision agricultural methods?	Yes O or No O
6. d. Properly dispose of animal carcasses?	Yes O or No O
6. e. Implement an Integrated Pest Management plan?	Yes O or No O
Energy Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
7. a. Reduce energy consumption on the agricultural operation?	Yes O or No O
7. b. Increase on-farm energy efficiency with more efficient equipment?	Yes O or No O

7. c. Assist in implementing energy conservation measures that reduce emissions from GHGs and air pollutants?	Yes O or No O
Business Lines - Conservation Implementation Additional Ranking Considerations - Will the proposed project result in:	
8. a. Implementation of all planned conservation practices within three years of contract obligation?	Yes O or No O
8. b. Improvement of existing conservation practices or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is accepted, or will complete an existing conservation system?	
Does the applicant meet the following conditions:	
9. a. If the applicant has an existing EQIP contract, has it been, and is it now, on schedule and in full compliance?	
9. b. Did the applicant successfully complete any past contract(s) in full compliance?	
9. c. Is this the applicant's first EQIP application?	

State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Water Quality- (Excessive Nutrients and Organics and Surface Water, Harmful Levels of Nutrients and Organics, and/or Pathogens, and/or Pesticides in Groundwater). This resource concern will be addressed by implementation of practice(s) included in this application.	Yes O or No O
2. Soil Erosion – (Sheet, rill, wind, classic gully, ephemeral, streambank)- This resource concern will be addressed by implementation of practice(s) included in this application.	Yes O or No O
3. Application includes Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (102).	Yes O or No O
4. Will the implementation of the practice(s) in this application address the control of noxious or invasive species?	Yes O or No O
5. The applicant is only applying in one fund pool for the general EQIP sign-up.	Yes O or No O

Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Practices in this application address all resource concerns identified in the applicants CNMP or this application contains the CNMP practice.	Yes O or No O
2. Prescribed Grazing (528) will be implemented as a part of this application.	Yes O or No O
3. At least one practice in this application will be installed in a surface water quality management area designated as a wetland, 300' from a steam, and 1000' feet from a lake and the practice must have a positive impact on surface water quality resource concerns.	Yes O or No O
4. Farmstead practices implemented will result in the interception of clean surface water from livestock and feed storage areas.	
5. At least one practice in this application will be installed in an area considered cropland and surface water and/or soil erosion resource concerns will be addressed on cropland.	
6. At least one practice in this application will be installed in an area considered forestland and surface water and/or soil erosion resource concerns will be addressed.	
7. Practices in this application will address plant productivity health and vigor resource concerns and extend the growing season to produce vegetable crops.	

Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
Ranking Score	
Efficiency:	
Local Issues:	
State Issues:	

National Issues:	
Final Ranking Score:	

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

	Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: